

January, 31st. inst.
Anno.....MCMXIII.

Dear Sir:-

I have your courteous letter of the
21st December, 1912. A serious ill-
ness and operation has prevented an
earlier reply.

In regard to the symbol you enclosed.
I have caused my reply to be engrossed in a small
illuminated drawing, which I have ordered framed
and forwarded to you under separate cover. I
trust it will be received in good form, and bear
with it the cordial greetings of the sender.

In re the Societas Rosic. in Anglia.
We are NOT in any way, shape, or fashion, connected
even remotely with that Society. We are perfect-
ly well acquainted with their workings, and the
treatment one of our Fraters has received at their
hands, precludes any possibility of affiliation.
We wrote them in due course, in accordance with
our programme of attempted R.C. unity, but the
results have justified us in discontinuing the
correspondence.

We understand that the English Society
has a recognized branch in Boston, Mass.

The writer esteems it an honor to be the
recipient of a communication bearing the signature
of an author whose poetry and literary work, combin-
ed

with his researches into the occult, have afforded him so much pleasure.

Replying to your query anent the Masonic Bodies, I beg to state that I am a member of all such Bodies and have taken all degrees.

Independent Royal Arch Lodge #2.
New York Consistory, Scottish Rite 32.

I may state however that our High Council does not intend to limit membership in our Order to Masons, altho it has done so in the past. Further, we are now considering the advisability of admitting females.

The writer sincerely trusts that the correspondence thus begun, may bear fruit in the establishment at no remote interval, of a closer bond of harmony between the Orders mutually represented.

Cordially and fraternally,